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By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. G. HECKFORD,
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Hongkong, March 11, 1904. 490

NOTICE.

It has been decided to invite Subscriptions
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EDBERT A. HEWITT,
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C. PEMBERTON,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, March 12, 1904. 498

DEVONIAN SOCIETY.

THE Annual DEVONIAN DINNER will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on SATURDAY, the 19th March, at 8 o'clock p.m.

Devonians wishing to attend are requested to communicate with the Undersigned.

MOORBY S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, March 14, 1904. 465

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-FIRST GENERAL MEETING of SHARE-HOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Offices, No. 14, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 19th March, 1904, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 18th March, to SATURDAY, the 19th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 5, 1904. 440

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY.
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NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF YEARLY MEETING of SHARE-HOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S HOTEL on SATURDAY, the 19th MARCH, 1904, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts of the Company, to the 31st December, 1903, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matter that may be conveniently brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 19th MARCH, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. MOONEY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 9, 1904. 466

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY.
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the OFFICE of the COMPANY, No. 4, QUEEN'S BUILDING, on SATURDAY, the 19th March, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee, and to Elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 5th to 19th of March (both days inclusive).

J. WHEELER,
General Manager.

Hongkong, March 11, 1904. 421

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY.
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(IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a GENERAL MEETING of the share-holders will be held at the OFFICE of the Hon. C. P. CHATER, K.C.M.G., Victoria Buildings, Queen's Road, at 3 o'clock in the AFTERNOON, on SATURDAY, the 26th Day of MARCH, when the Liquidator will lay before the Shareholders a Final Report, together with the Statement of Account to 31st December, 1903, and the following Resolution will be proposed, viz.—

To those Shareholders who make a written application to the Liquidator, Mr. J. GOOSMANN, on or before the 2nd day of APRIL, 1904, \$1 (Dollar One), or a fraction of same, will be returned per Share, and any Balance remaining after payment of Auditor's Fee, Printing and Petty Expenses, to be transferred to the Credit of the Liquidator.

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J. GOOSMANN,
Liquidator.

Hongkong, March 10, 1904. 475

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By Order of the Board,

M. A. A. SOUZA,
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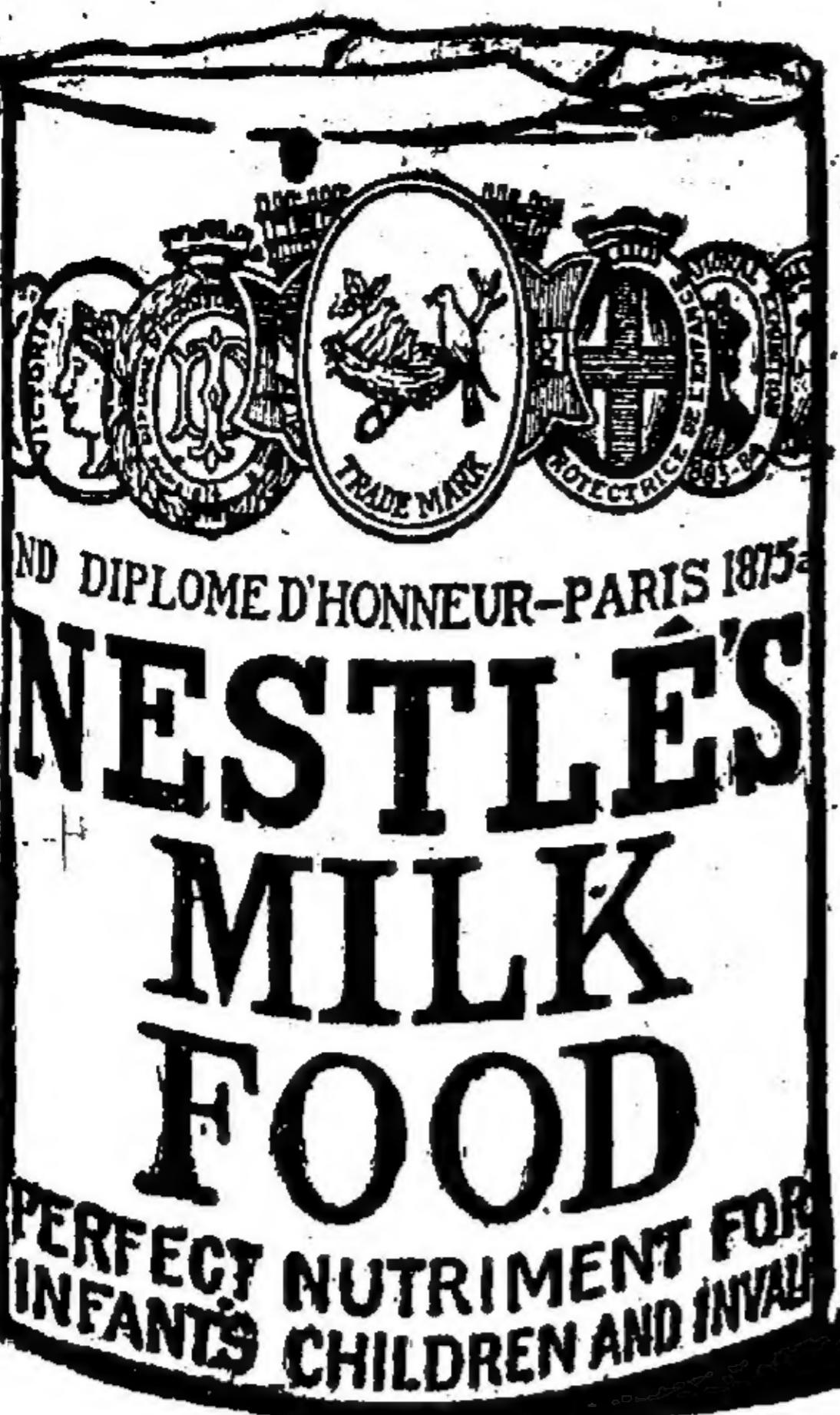
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Algerine	sloop	1050	6	1400	Commander R. Nugent	Hongkong
Amphitrite	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	18,000	Capt. Charles Windham C.V.O.	Hongkong
Blenheim	cruiser, 1st class	9000	12	13,000	Captain F. G. Stopford	Hongkong
Brauble	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Lieut.-Com. F. M. Leake	Shanghai
Britomart	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Lieut.-Comdr. T. D. Pratt	Hongkong
Centurion	battleship, 1st class	10,500	14	13,000	Captain Fagan	Hongkong
Cressey	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Captain Henry M. Tudor	Singapore
Cherub	water tank and tug	390	—	390	Captain Robert H. S. Stokes	Newchwang
Eclipse	cruiser, 2nd class	5800	11	9600	Comdr. Ernest Barton	Hongkong
Espiegle	sloop	1070	10	1400	—	—
Fawn	torpedo boat destroyer	380	8	5700	Comdr. P. V. Lawes, D.S.O.	Weihaiwei
Fearless	cruiser, 3rd class	1580	12	3200	Captain W. A. Carter	Weihaiwei
*Glory	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,600	Lieut.-Com. H. L. Well	Shanghai
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	—	—
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Comdr. J. D. Daintree	Weihaiwei
Humber	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3900	Lieut.-Comdr. C. Anner	Kobe
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Rambler	Surveying-vessel	825	6	650	Captain Morris H. Smyth	Weihaiwei
Rinaldo	sloop	85	2	240	Com. S. St. A. Wake	Canton
Rosario	sloop	980	10	1400	Lieut.-Com. John P. Irvin	Shanghai
Sandpiper	sloop	85	2	240	Capt. O. H. H. Moore	West River
Sirius	river gunboat	3600	8	9000	Lieut.-Comdr. Davidson	Hongkong
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	—	—
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MEMORANDA FOR TOMORROW.

Miscellaneous.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, March 15.—
9.30 p.m.—Auction Japanese Curios, &c., at Mr. Goo, Lamerton Sales Rooms.
10 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Art Silks—Embroidered with Ivory and Cloisonné, &c., at Mr. Goo, Lamerton Sales Rooms.

10 p.m.—Porcelain pot cleaned at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

11 p.m.—Book of any kind, M. G. Co., Ltd., cleaned from 10 a.m. on the 15th March inclusive.

WEDNESDAY, March 16.—

9 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd., at the Company's Offices.

10 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China-Borneo Co., Ltd., at the Office's Office.

11 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd., at the Company's Hotel.

9 p.m.—Devonian Dinner of Devonian Society at Hongkong Hotel.

MONDAY, March 21.—

9 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd., at the Company's Offices.

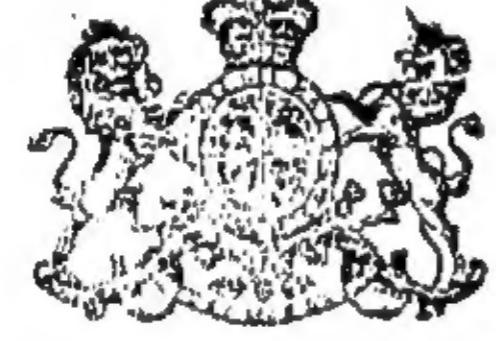
10 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd., at the Company's Hotel.

9 p.m.—Devonian Dinner of Devonian Society at Hongkong Hotel.

TUESDAY, March 22.—

2.15 p.m.—Meeting of His Majesty's Justice of Peace at the Magistracy.

4.45 p.m.—Auction of Valuable House held Furniture, &c., at No. 8, Cameron Terrace, Kowloon.



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Shield Tie.

At the Happy Valley to-morrow afternoon, the team of H.M.S. *Albion* and H.M.S. *Ocean* meet in the semi-final round of the Hongkong challenge shield competition. Kick-off at 4 o'clock.

Filipinos to Visit America.

The Manila Callender of the 13th inst. states:—"The honorable committee of fifty educated and intelligent Filipinos who will visit the St. Louis exposition and the principal cities of the United States at the expense of the government and under the guardianship of Secretary Ferguson, according to latest reports, sails for San Francisco during the last week of April, and will leave Hongkong by the Pacific liner *Siberia*, which is scheduled to sail from that port on April 30. Arrangements are being made for the committee to leave this port in time to connect with the *Siberia*. Fifty-one berths have already been engaged, with a request for as many more as it will be possible to secure, twenty at least having been spoken for, presumably for the wives and families of the committee who desire to accompany them on the excursion."

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March 5, 1904.

BIRTH.

At Tientsin, on the 2nd March, the wife of L. BOYACK, of a Daughter.

MARRIAGE.

KIRK-SMITH.—On March 16, at St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, by the Rev. F. T. Johnson, Sergeant WILLIAM JOHN KERR, Hongkong Police, to LILIAN MAUDIE, second daughter of Mr and Mrs John Smith, of Eye, Suffolk. (Suffolk papers, please copy.)

DEATH.

On the 24th February, at Burlington, Ontario, Canada, the Rev. VINCENT COTTENDEN HART, D.D., founder and many years Superintendent of the Central China Mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

—The publication of this issue commenced at 5.15 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 1904.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A.D.C. Dance.

We are informed that the A.D.C. Fancy Dress Dance takes place on Saturday, the 26th inst.

Sherwood Foresters.

Major Gordon-Cumming has taken command of the detachment of Sherwood Foresters at Tientsin, in succession to Lieutenant-Colonel Watts, who has assumed command of the battalion in Hongkong.

Patriotic Japanese.

According to report, says the *Kobe Chronicle*, the shipping and landing offices of the Kumicun in Kobe have decided to present you 10,000 to the war fund, a sum which works out at yen 35 for each man.

Eclipse of the Sun.

The eclipse of the sun, which takes place to-morrow (St. Patrick's Day), is visible in Hongkong as a partial eclipse to those who are not celebrating—assuming that the atmospheric conditions are favourable.

Newchwang and the War.

The *China Times* of the 20th ult. says:—"The Consular Body are holding meetings at Yingkow with reference to the position of the Treaty port during hostilities. It is believed Russia intends to fight there; while if the port were put within a neutral zone it would hamper the movements of one or the other belligerent. Accordingly Yingkow is looking forward nervously to a bombardment."

Iron-making in Japan.

The *Kobe Chronicle* quotes the following:—"The *Yorodza* states that owing to the failure of certain contractors to deliver iron within contract time and of the quality stipulated, the Government has cancelled its contract and decided to manufacture the iron itself. The drastic action of the Government, the *Yorodza* explains, is the result of the contractors endeavouring to palm off iron of inferior quality, which if successfully disposed of would have meant exorbitant profits to the contractors."

Tientsin Municipal Council.

The following have been elected to the Tientsin Municipal Council (British) by the ratepayers:

Mr Southcott	... ... ...	188 votes.
Mr Dickinson	... ... ...	187
Mr W. A. Morling	... ... ...	180
Mr Heyl	... ... ...	180
Mr Denby	... ... ...	179
Mr Boyce-Kup	... ... ...	177
Dr Tenney	... ... ...	175
Mr Sommer	... ... ...	166
Mr Osborne	... ... ...	148

The next candidate, whose name was not declared, received 13 votes only.

Shanghai St. Patrick's Society.

The President (Mr R. E. Redon, C.M.G.) occupied the chair at the annual meeting of the Shanghai St. Patrick's Society. The President and Vice-President (the Rev. W. G. Walsh) were re-elected. Messrs P. L. Byrne and J. Byrne Hackett were confirmed in their offices as Hon. Treasurer and Secretary respectively, and a committee was elected, to consist of the following: Messrs J. O. P. Bland, T. E. Truman, H. O'Shea, J. McDowell, J. B. Fitz Gibbons, J. K. Tweed and Capt. Boisragon. The report and accounts were passed as satisfactory and the remark made that distressed Irishmen in Shanghai were as plentiful as snakes in Ireland! A discussion took place as to the character of the function to celebrate the 17th, and in view of the shortness of the time available for preparations, a dinner followed by a "smoker" was decided upon. The Society (says the *N.C. Daily News*) has lately been presented with a handsome painting of its patron saint, made by Miss Byrne, and arrangements are to be made suitably to frame it in time for the dinner.

Alice Memorial Hospital.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:

E. D. Sisson & Co.	\$100
H. Skott & Co.	50
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W. R. Lexley & Co.	25
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H. M. H. Henrazo	25
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Palmer and Turner	25
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Bismarck & Co.	5

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

"St. Patrick's Day in the morning."

The Siamese New Year (Kroot Thai)

commences to-morrow (17th inst.).

Dr. Morrison, *The Times* Correspondent at Peking, has gone to Newchwang.

A secret society known as the Lien Ho Chuan is reported to have risen at Moukden, Haiching and Newchwang.

Sir E. Satow, British Minister to China, opened an Anglo-Chinese Museum at Tientsin on the 27th ult.

The Emperor of Korea is said to have deposited with the French Legation the sum of yen 60,000 for safety.

Mr Strobel, American General Adviser to the Siamese Government, is expected to arrive in Bangkok by the 17th inst.

According to Melbourne papers, the P. & O. Steamship Company intend competing in the Australian coasting trade.

The Japanese Imperial Prince Arisugawa, on account of recent illness, will not go to the front, but will be attached to headquarters.

The Champion Stakes at Bangkok's Race meeting resulted in a dead heat between Mr. J. Young's *Messenger* and Mr. W. A. Tilley's *Unicare*.

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detained through this violence. The matter however was brought to the knowledge of the U.S. Consul at length by Mrs. Hunt, sister of Mr. Dunbar, who had witnessed the actual violence from a neighboring window.

The U.S. Consul came up at once and urged the Russian officers to desist from their violence. The latter repeated to the Consul in the Russian language to the effect that 'We can do it as there is no Japanese Consul now in Newchwang.' The U.S. Consul persuaded them by saying that though there was no Japanese Consul, the U.S. Consul acted on behalf of the Japanese Consul and protected Japanese subjects.

The Consul then summoned the Russian chief of police, who, regretting the acts, unbound us. All of us, Russian soldiers and all concerned, accompanied by the U.S. Consul and the chief of police, went to the Russian police office and called out to the Russian Governor, Mr. Gross. The U.S. Consul represented to him the unkindness and violent acts committed by Russian soldiers upon which the Governor promised the Consul that he should be compensated for the damages incurred by us.

(Signed) K OKADA,
And Four Others.

JAPANESE TREATMENT OF RUSSIANS.

The Japan Red Cross Society has received instructions from the Government to transport the wounded Russian prisoners now in hospital at Choncupa to Matayuan, where they will be treated by the Society's branch there. A portion of the prefectoral hospital will be provided for the purpose, having accommodation for fifty patients. The prisoners will be conveyed by the hospital ship *Hokkaido*.

AMOY NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

AMOY, March 10.

PAKATUAR.

After a long three weeks of dry weather, with very little rain, the sun hung low in the rainy season came out last Thursday, the 3rd inst., with a heavy thunderstorm, and we have been treated to thunderstorms very nearly every day and most nights since. An immense amount of rain has fallen, and with pieces of incalculable value to the Chinese, as the spring rice crop can now be planted up in time. It will prevent the further rise in the price of rice, and may even make it a little cheaper. The Chinese are quoting a proverb that obtains in this province to the effect that as the wet weather has been ushered in with than deroms before the 17th of their first month that we shall have rain off and on for 40 days. It will be interesting to see if this saying of theirs has any truth in it let us hope not!

SCHOOLS OPENING.

All the Schools, Mission and other, have now re-opened after the usual New Year vacation, and all speak of an increase in the number of scholars. Especially is this so in those schools and colleges which teach English. In addition to the two principal schools which make a specialty of English, viz., the Kulangsu Anglo-Chinese College and the Yimoo Tong Wen Institute, four Mission schools on Kulangsu have been driven by the force of circumstances to start the teaching of English as one of the subjects of the ordinary curriculum, about one hour a day being given to it. It is simply astonishing how eager the present generation of Chinese is to learn English, and this is so, not only among the native Christians, but also among the Chinese generally. The chief reason undoubtedly is because they see in it a means of increased wealth, but many seek it also because they think they can reach the stores of Western knowledge and learning more easily than through their own cumbersome tongue, since the pith of many books is lost in the process of being translated into Chinese.

L. AND F. R.

Let some may not know the meaning of these magic letters, let me at once say that they stand for the 'British and Foreign Bible Society.' The world-wide Society is holding its Centenary this year, since it was founded exactly 100 years ago in March, 1804. So March 6 was chosen as 'Bible Sunday,' on which day sermons were preached and services were held all over the world to celebrate the noteworthy occasion. We in Amoy were favoured by the presence of the Rev. A. P. Begg, M.A., of Calcutta, a distinguished Missionary of the London Missionary Society in India. He very kindly consented to preach the sermon, and in spite of most inclement weather, there was a very good congregation present in Union Church on Sunday evening. The able sermon was much appreciated. A Collection on behalf of the funds of the Society realised over £50, which is very good for Amoy, where, however, collections are far rarer than Hymns. Special sermons were preached and collections taken in many Chinese Churches, and it is believed that the native Christians all over China will heartily respond to the appeal made to them to recognize in this way the debt they owe to the printing and distribution of the Bible in China.

Japanese Steamer Lost.

The *Koko Chronicle* of the 9th inst. reports—News has been received in Osaka that the steamer *Shinshin-maru* (3,918 tons) struck a sunken rock a few days ago, and foundered in the Korean Sea. The crew were saved. The *Shinshin-maru* which was owned by Mr. Kishimoto of Osaka, was built in England in 1873. She was insured with a Tokyo company for yen 60,000. The above figures probably represent the gross tonnage.

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE JAPANESE WAR BONDS.

LONDON, March 14.
A Tokio official despatch states that the first issue of yen 100,000,000 war bonds was covered 4½ times.

RUSSIA IN THE MEDITERRANEAN.

The *Dianetri Ldoni*, in patrolling the North Egyptian Coast, stopped the German steamer *Stuttgart* and the British steamer *Mortlake*. The latter was bound from Patoum to India. The cruiser fired across her bows and inspected her papers.

THE WAR.

The aspect of Port Arthur. The wreck of a destroyer sunk in Pigeon Bay on the 25th February is ascertained to be the *Kwankwei* (Russian).

A press steamer from Chefoo on Saturday, approached within close view of the first two fort (Port Arthur), the upper one of which had apparently suffered terribly. A vast cloud of smoke was ascending from the New City in three columns, and no troops, flags, or other signs of life were visible.

The reported sinking of a Japanese destroyer and damage to the cruiser *Takao* on the 1st instant are officially denied. The damage to the destroyers will be repaired in a week, and it is not necessary to dock them.

The rumours of the evacuation of Port Arthur have been proved to be baseless. The attack on Port Arthur on the 10th instant, finished with bombardment of Port Arthur by the battleship, which fired 190 shells from their 12-inch guns, over the promontory, at an unseen target, the crews of the ships directing the aim by signals. The J. panes had previously destroyed the signal station, names, and depot on the coast of Manchuria, in Taliou Wan Bay.

FEAR EASTER FIRE ASSOCIATION.]

EARTHQUAKE IN PERU.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 5.
Lima, capital of Peru, has been visited by a destructive earthquake. The property loss is reported to aggregate millions of dollars. No official estimate has been received as to loss of life.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Hon. W. Chatham, Water Authority, sends us the following statement of the water supply:

LEVEL AND STORAGE OF WATER IN RESERVOIRS ON THE 1ST MARCH, 1904.

1st Mar. 1904. 1903.
Tytan, 50 ft. below sea level 1,200,000,000 gallons
Pukulam, 35 ft. below sea level 1,42,000,000 gallons
Wong Nei Chon, 14 ft. below sea level 1,000,000 gallons
Sin, below overflow 1,000,000 gallons

STORAGE GALLONS. 1904.

Tytan 1,200,000,000 1,000,000,000
Pukulam 1,42,000,000 900,000
Wong Nei Chon 1,000,000 900
Total 1,34,400,000 1,000,000

Consumption in force in February 1904.

Consumption in force in February 1903.

Estimated population 217,800 22,500

Consumption per head per day 6.7 6.7 gallons

Intermittent supply in force during the whole of February in both years.

Consumption of water in Kowloon Peninsula during the month of February.

Consumption 1,291,000 12,600,000 gallons

Estimated population 14,500 14,300

Consumption per head per day 8.7 6.7 gallons

The Government Analyst reports that the water is of excellent quality.

W. CHATHAM,
Water Authority.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE 'CENTURION'S' GUNSHIFTS.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL'.
13 Victoria Street,
LONDON, February 9, 1904.

SIR, Rumours of such grave importance concerning the armament of some of our warships are current, not only in service circles, but among all who take interest in naval matters, that I venture to ask you to publish the following inquiries in the hope that notice in the Press may elicit such authoritative information as will allay public anxiety.

Is it true, as asserted—so far as I know without contradiction—that the *Centurion* has been sent to China, where war is not beyond the bounds of possibility, with the sights of her 10-in. guns seriously inaccurate?

Is it a fact that, although these sights have been condemned by experts, similar sights are now being put into the *Burfeild*?

Is it true that officers on His Majesty's ships in the China, the Mediterranean, and the Channel squadrons are altering the sights of their guns with their ship's armours, and further, that officers are purchasing, at their own cost, telescopes to make sights?

To whom does responsibility attach if it be true that all the 'county' class of cruisers, ten vessels costing nearly £8,000,000, have in their 6-in. guns so twinned together that they cannot be fired singly, because the loading of the one interferes with the firing of the other; that their mounting is bad, and their sighting worse?

Prince Bismarck once said: 'If we are obliged to stake the blood of our people against our enemies in the field, then we also bound to provide them with the best weapons of offence and defence which money can procure.'

The Navy League, as such, neither has nor pretends to have any right to speak with authority on technical matters of armament, but even a layman can realize that an inaccurately sighted and badly mounted gun is not a good weapon of warfare, and even a taxpayer may think he has some claim to feel assured that 'all things are as they should be' in the Fleet. I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient Servant,

H. S. SYMROD TROWER,
Chairman of the Executive Committee,
Mr. CARUS CHURCHILL, Secretary.

CHINA ASSOCIATION.

The following is the report of the Committee of the Hongkong Branch of the China Association:—

The last Report was issued on the 30th September, 1902; and the present review is intended to cover the period from that date to the 31st January, 1904. The questions which have occupied the attention of the Committee have not been of so momentous a character as those dealt with in some previous years, but some important subjects have been handled, with gratifying results in several cases, whilst as regards others it is hoped that the seed sown will ultimately bear fruit. The following are the chief questions that have come before the Committee.

INTERNAL TAXATION OF FOREIGN IMPORTS.

During the period under review, several attempts have been made by the Provincial Authorities in the Two Kwangs to impose new taxes on imports, and more especially on prepared opium. Thanks, however, to the energetic action of Consul-General Scott, whose representations were heartily seconded by your Committee, these efforts failed, and the proposed taxes were withdrawn.

MR CHAMBERLAIN'S SCHEME FOR TARIFF REFORM.

In January this year, in response to suggestions, the Committee considered the advisability of dispatching a telegram expressing approval of and sympathy with the Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain in his efforts to promote reform in the fiscal policy of the United Kingdom, and obtained the views of the members of the Association.

THE SUN'S ECLIPSE.

A letter having been addressed to the Foreign Office—in which this Branch concurred—pointing out certain omission in the Commercial Treaty between the United States and China with regard to the allocation of the amounts to be compensated for the loss of lekin, and the absence of any agreement about the export of machine-made yarn, cloth, or other products of foreign origin.

As a result of this, the Chinese Government have agreed to compensate for the loss of lekin, and to take steps to prohibit the export of machine-made yarn, cloth, or other products of foreign origin.

THE CHINA MAIL.

On the representation of the Association of the excellent work done by the Department of Practical Chinese in the University of London, the Colonial Government have been induced to make a grant-in-aid of £20,000 to this object, for which the thanks of the Association are due to H. E. Sir Henry Blake.

VIOLATION OF BRITISH SOVEREIGNTY IN HONG-KONG.

In May last, consequent on the revelations made in the Supreme Court, during the trial of a Chinese named Lui Chiu, an accessory to the murder of a Chinese schoolmaster named Young Kuei Wan, at the Chinese Reform Party, and accomplished their purpose on the 10th January, 1901, of Mr. Playfair to England, Mr. H. E. Pollock, who had accepted a seat on the Committee, was elected Acting Chairman, but after holding office for about a month Mr. Pollock resigned, on the ground that the performance of the duties clashed with his professional interests. Mr. R. C. Wilcox then took up the reins and acted as Chairman until Mr. Playfair's return; and when soon afterwards that gentleman was obliged, though an affection of the eyes, to resign the post, Mr. Wilcox was unanimously elected Chairman.

THE COMMITTEE.

There have been several changes in the personnel of the Committee during the period under review. Mr. Poste, who has left the Colony, has been replaced by Mr. D. R. Law; the Hon. C. Sharp by Mr. A. G. Wood; Mr. Medhurst, who has gone home for a trip, has been succeeded by Mr. E. S. Wheeler; and the Hon. R. Shaw by Mr. W. Saunders.

The Committee now consists of Messrs R. C. Wilcox (Chairman), D. R. Law, G. W. F. Playfair, W. J. Saunders, H. E. Tomkinson, E. S. Wheeler, Mr. A. G. Wood, and C. Penberth (Hon. Secretary).

THE ACCOUNTS.

The Hon. Secretary's accounts, which are annexed, show a credit balance in hand of \$1,173.21.

R. CHILTON WILCOX,
Chairman.

A YOUTHFUL COMPOSER.

Great interest was aroused in Bournemouth, on the 6th ult., by the performance of a boy composer named Max Darszewski, who conducted his own benefit concert. Although Darszewski is only eight years old, he conducted an orchestra of fifty members through a series of perfect ease and self-possession. The piece, 'Le Rêve,' was composed by him when only five years of age. He was received by a crowded audience with considerable enthusiasm.

It is remarkable that the British Government has taken note of this expression of opinion, which they deemed it desirable that British Officials should be careful not to surrender any sign or symbol of authority now possessed in the Treaty Ports. It is satisfactory to record that the British Government has taken note of this expression of opinion, and so far from reducing the number of British Postal Agents, has recently added a fresh one at Chefoo.

THE OPENING OF KOWLOON.

The port of Kowloon was to be formally opened to foreign trade on the 7th March, and Mr. H. F. Fox has been appointed British Consular Agent.

THE PROPOSED OPENING OF WANCHOW.

At the nineteenth ordinary general meeting of the Jeyes Sanitary Compound Co., Ltd., on the 4th ult., the Chairman had a very pleasant task to perform in moving the adoption of the report and accounts. For the year 1903, the Company pays a dividend, including income tax, equal to 42 per cent. In his speech, Mr. Nelson complained of the competition of articles inferior to the popular Jeyes Fluid, saying:—As to whether such profits can be maintained depends absolutely on our ability not only to maintain, but to increase, the volume of our business in the face of daily increasing competition and considerably increase of cost of production which has been necessary to enable us to retain the position which is the secret of our success, of being the manufacturers of the best disinfectant known to science, and obtainable by the public in any part of the world. This has been our policy throughout, and it is only surprising that some of the competition we meet with is to a large extent in useless, or nearly useless, articles.

It is a queer anomaly in English law that a butcher selling margarine as butter, a grocer mitigating the strength of his sugar with sand, can be most properly punished, while every retailer of disinfectants in the land is free to sell as preposterous and effident rubbish, labelled as real testimony, freely advertised, regardless of the fact that often life and death are involved. In this regard I am glad to observe that you that most useful body the Sanitary Institute has in hand the question of inducing the Government to adopt an established test regulating the sale of all disinfectants by their co-efficiency to some legal standard.

Memoranda.

THURSDAY, March 24.—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at the Offices of the General Agents.

12.30 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of Luen Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at the Offices of General Agents.

SATURDAY, March 26.—

3 p.m.—Meeting of Chinese Insurance Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

8 p.m.—Annual Dinner of Hongkong Football Club in Hongkong Hotel.

TUESDAY, March 29.—

6.30 p.m.—Subscription Concert of Hongkong Philharmonic Society in City Hall.

THURSDAY, March 31.—

Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of Campi-Bole Moore Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

For Sale at KELLY & WALSH, Ltd.

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Shipping.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP NAVIGATION COMPANY

WILL despatch VESSELS to the Undemanded PORTS on the DATE named	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
LONDON & ANTWERP, Via STONE, FANG CHUO, PORT SAID & MARSEILLES	Borneo [G. W. GORDON, R.N.R.]	9 a.m., 17th March.	Freight and Passage.
YAMA, VIA SHAI, MOJI & ROBE (passing through the INLAND SEA)	PALAVON [J. D. ANDREW, R.N.R.]	About 21st March.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	QUADRANT [F. R. SUMMERS]	Noon, 20th March.	See Special Advertisement.
CHONGMING, [C. PHILIPS]	SHAWMUT [C. PHILIPS]	About 28th March.	Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars apply to R. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

& O. S. N. Co's Office, Hongkong, March 16, 1904.

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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

OSTASIAISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

Vessel Calls at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COFFENHAGEN, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, POITIERS IN THE BAY OF BISCAY, PORTO, NAPLES AND SOUTH AMERICA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

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NEW YORK.—THE CHINESE EVANGELIST OFFICE, 65 West 22nd Street.

SAN FRANCISCO AND AMERICAN PORTS generally.—DEAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GODDARD & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney.

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SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—KELLY & WILSH, LTD., Singapore.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.—A. S. WATSON & CO., Manila.

CHINA.—ARTHUR N. MOAILL & CO., LIMITED, Foochow; BROCKETT & CO., Shanghai; JAMES CHAWARD & CO., and KELLY & WILSH, Yokohama; LANE, CHAWARD & CO., and KELLY & WILSH.

Notices to Consignees.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

WOMBLESTE, FIJI, ME, PORT SAID, ADEN, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Co.'s Steamship *Trieste*, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

This Vessel Arrives—From Venice via Genoa, Tripoli, Alexandria, Rhodes, Crete, Corfu, and Malta, will be discharged here unless otherwise directed by your instructions.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods must be sent into the Office of the Collector before noon, on the 1st inst., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 1st inst., will be subject to rent.

SANDER, WEILER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 14, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO'S. STEAMER *MALACCA*

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at the risk in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out by Mark by Marks, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before noon, To-day.

Goods not cleared by the 16th Inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, March 10, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *S.M.L.A.*

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at the risk in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S Godowns at Kowloon where each Consignment will be sorted out by Mark by Marks, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo—

From LONDON, &c., via S. Mongolia, Syria and Persia.

From CALCUTTA, S.E.R. *Candia*.

From PERSIAN GULF, S.E.R. B.I.S.N. and E. & P.S.N. Co.'s steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 p.m., To-day.

Goods not cleared by the 18th inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, March 11, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *S.M.L.A.*

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Kingscrag*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m., the 16th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 14, 1904.

Insurances.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.
TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1902, £16,374,771.
Authorised Capital £2,750,000
Subscribed Capital £2,000,000
Paid-up Capital £887,500 0 0
Fire Funds £2,867,215 11 10

HAVING been appointed Agents of the above Company we are prepared to accept European and Chinese Risks at Current Rates.

SHewan, TOMEY & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, June 20, 1903.

Intimations.

CARMICHAEL AND CLARKE.

CONSULTING ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS,
SURVEYORS AND CONTRACTORS,
REPAIRS PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO.

TELEGRAMS: "CARMICHAEL," HONGKONG,
A. C. Code, 4th Edition.

Lieber's Standard Code.
TELEPHONE, 232.

Hongkong, March 14, 1903.

Intimations.

CHAS. J. GAUPP & CO.,
Ochronometers, Watch & Clock Makers,
Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths,
NAUTICAL SCIENTIFIC AND METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.

VOUGHTER'S CELESTIAL BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES,
RITCHIE'S LOGARITHMIC CHARTS,
ADMIRALTY & IMRAY CHARTS,
NAUTICAL CHARTS.

ENGLISH SILVER & ELECTRIC PLATED WARE,
GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY
in great variety.

DIAMONDS & AND

DIAMOND JEWELLERY,
splendid Collection of the Latest London
Attire, now moderate price.

POHOOMULL BROTHERS.

57 and 58, Queen's Road Central,
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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS.

HAVE just received a large Stock Suitable
for Christmas and New Year's Presents of Indian, Chinese and Japanese SILKS and GOODS made thereof suitable for Ladies and Gentlemen; Cashmere Shawls; Oriental and Egyptian embroidery; Rugs; Persian and Indian Carpets; Jewellery; Maltese Lace Articles; Cloth Embroidered Goods; Old English Broderied Chinese Costumes.

Genuine Camphorwood boxes; Fans and several other articles made up of Ivory, Mother of pearl, Sandalwood and Tortoiseshell, &c., &c., &c.

Quality will speak for itself.

Very moderate Prices.

Hongkong, November 3, 1903.

MARTIN'S
APIOL & STEEL PILLS
For Ladies.

French Remedy for all Irritability. Thousands
of ladies keep a box of Martin's Pills in the house, so that the first sign of any trouble they are ready to take the remedy. It is a safe and reliable medicine, and does them much good. All Chinese and Americans use it.

MARTIN'S SOUTH AMERICAN PILLS

French Remedy for all Irritability. Thousands
of ladies keep a box of Martin's Pills in the house, so that the first sign of any trouble they are ready to take the remedy. It is a safe and reliable medicine, and does them much good. All Chinese and Americans use it.

HONGKONG BRANCH—Interest allowed.

On Current Account at the Rate of 2% per annum on the daily balance.

On fixed deposits for 12 months, 5% per annum.

On fixed deposits for 6 months, 4% per annum.

On fixed deposits for 3 months, 3% per annum.

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, March 11, 1904.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000
PAID UP £62,500
RESERVE FUND £60,000

BANKERS: LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 12 Months 4% 2% 1% 1% 1%

" 6 " 3% 2% 1% 1%

" 3 " 2% 1% 1% 1%

EVAN ORMISTON,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 25, 1903.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

PAYOUT CAPITAL £1,500,000
RESERVE FUND £60,000

BANKERS: LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 3 months 2½ per cent per annum.

" 6 " 2% 1%

" 12 " 4% 2%

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 24, 1904.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Roles may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum. Depositors may withdraw at their option balances of £100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 1, 1904.

Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £1,000,000.
PAID UP CAPITAL £324,374.

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

Board of Directors.

CHAN KIT SHAN, Esq., J. FOKE, Esq.,
CHEUNG EWENS, Esq., G. C. MORON, Esq.,
Chief Manager.

O. W. F. PLATFAIR,

Interest for 12 months fixed 5%.

Hongkong, February 5, 1904.

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IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL Tls. 5,000,000
PAID UP CAPITAL " 2,600,000

HEAD OFFICE: SHANGHAI.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:

CANTON, PEMANG, SINGAPORE, TIENTHIN, PEKING.

THE BANK PURCHASES and receives for Collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, Bills Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers Payable at its Branches.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

Advances made on approved securities. Bills Discounted.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at the Rate of 2% per Annum on the Daily Balances.

On Mailed Deposits for 3 Months 3% 4% 4% 4% 4%

THE CHINA MAIL.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 1904.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Match 15.
Cymeline, British str., 2,160, W. Smyth,
Barry Jan. 27, Coal.—ADMIRALTY.

Glaucus, British str., 3,650, A. D. Baker,
Yokohama via Amoy Feb. 29, General.—

BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

Ichang, British steamer, 1,228, J. Lloyd

Jones, Wuhs and Chinkiang March 11,

General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

Whampoa, British str., from Canton

March 16.

Empress of China, British str., 3,010, R.
Archibald, R.N.R., Vancouver, B.C., Feb.

23, and Shanghai March 14, Mails and Gen-

eral—C. P. R. Co.

Therese, German str., 2,751, M. Ursch,

Marita March 13, General CARLOWE &

Co.

Indrasanha, British str., 3,366, W. E.

Craven, R.N.R., Portland, Ore., via Moji

March 11, General PORTLAND & ASIA-

TEAMING Co.

Holstein, German str., 995, J. C. Hause,

Saigon March 11, Rice and Flour—Jens-

& Co.

Triumph, German str., 769, A. Hansen,

Swatow Mar. 15, General CARLOWE &

Kaintha

Thalia, British str., 890, A. J. Robinson,

Fochow March 13, Amoy 14, and Swatow

15, General DOUGLAS FERGUSON (s).

Kochang, German str., 1,147, C. P. R.

Chinkiang March 12, and Fuzhou

13, General APRIL 19.

DEPT OF STATE.

Report for Europe, &c.

Vietnam, for Manila and vice versa

Hainan, for Kwangtung, vice versa

Taiwan, British str., from Amoy

outward

Hainan, for Shanghai, vice versa

Hainan, for Amoy, vice versa

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